

301 KAR 2:095. Importation of cervid carcasses and parts.

RELATES TO: KRS 150.180, 150.280, 150.290

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS 150.025(1)(c), 150.720(2)

NECESSITY, FUNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: KRS 150.025(1)(c) authorizes the department to promulgate administrative regulations governing the buying, selling, or transporting of wildlife. KRS 150.720(2) authorizes the department and the Department of Agriculture to hold a person responsible for all costs incurred in the investigation, response, and eradication of a disease if the person imports a diseased animal into the Commonwealth. This administrative regulation establishes procedures for the importation and possession of cervid carcasses or carcass part.

Section 1. Definitions.

- (1) "Cervid" means a member of the family Cervidae.
- (2) "Clean" means having no meat matter or tissue attached to the carcass part.
- (3) "Import" means to transport a cervid carcass or carcass part into Kentucky.

Section 2. Importation.

- (1) A person shall not import a cervid carcass or carcass part that has any part of the spinal column or head;
- (2) A person importing a legally taken cervid carcass or carcass part may possess the items listed in paragraphs (a) through (f) of this subsection.
 - (a) Antlers;
 - (b) Antlers that are attached to a clean skull plate;
 - (c) A clean skull;
 - (d) Clean upper canine teeth;
 - (e) A finished taxidermy product;
 - (f) The hide; or
 - (g) Quartered or deboned meat.
- (3) A licensed taxidermist or deer processor who accepts a cervid head with an intact skull, spinal column, or spinal column part originating from another state or country shall:
 - (a) Contact the law enforcement division of the department within forty-eight (48) hours after receiving the cervid head, spinal column, or spinal column part;
 - (b) Provide to the department the hunter's:
 1. Name; and
 2. Address; and
 - (c) Transfer all spinal column parts and the skull with the intact brain to the department once the skull plate has been removed. (29 Ky.R. 3001; eff. 8-13-2003; 37 Ky.R. 2682; eff. 8-4-2011; 42 Ky.R. 2819; eff. 7-19-2016; 45 Ky.R. 2432; eff. 5-3-2019.)